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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: Richard J. Kerr
Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT: Support to USSOUTHCOM [redacted]

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1. Action: Signature. [redacted]

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2. Background: This memorandum is in response to General Galvin's request to you that the DDI provide a senior analyst on rotation to help improve SOUTHCOM's analytic capability. [redacted]

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The Directorate currently is short on highly experienced Latin American analysts, and therefore is unable to assign someone appropriate to their needs. I anticipate that we will be better positioned to supply a senior analyst for such a mutually beneficial endeavor sometime further down the line when our analytical cadre have gained more experience and maturity.

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Washington, D.C. 20505

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MEMORANDUM FOR: General John R. Galvin, USA
Commander in Chief, United States Southern Command

SUBJECT: Support to USSOUTHCOM

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1. I was pleased to receive your recent note on CIA-SOUTHCOM relations. It is always reassuring to hear that a cooperative and professional relationship has also developed into a personal one. I know that [redacted] both appreciate the effort you have made on the Central American front. [redacted]

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2. I also appreciate your consideration of the DDI as a source of expertise available to Colonel John Stewart in his drive to improve SOUTHCOM's analytic capabilities. I very much encourage the rotation of DDI analysts to other organizations, and I agree that such arrangements are mutually beneficial. [redacted]

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3. Unfortunately, the DDI's Latin American analytic team currently is short of senior people, and therefore is unable at this time to provide the experienced, aggressive analyst you requested to work alongside your Staff. At the beginning of the current fiscal year, half the analysts in our Latin American analytical effort were in their probationary period. Overall, the group's Agency work experience averages only about four to five years per person. [redacted]

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4. This situation should improve over time as analysts gain experience and maturity, and I hope that you will keep your offer of rotational assignments open for the future. In the meantime, I suggest that Colonel Stewart directly contact [redacted] Director of African and Latin American Analysis so that we can continue to work towards meeting our joint goals. [redacted]

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5. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance. [redacted]

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Robert M. Gates

Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

*We're just plain out of people.
A third of our L.A. analytical
Staff is assigned outside the
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